WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A process for producing a fluorine-containing compound of the following formula (2), which comprises reacting a compound of the following formula (1) with a compound of the formula X-Z or a compound of the formula Z₂O (wherein Z is a monovalent group which gives a leaving group of the structure -OZ, and X is a chlorine atom, a bromine atom or an iodine atom), and then acting a fluorinating agent which generates fluorine anions thereon to obtain the fluorine-containing compound of the following formula (2):

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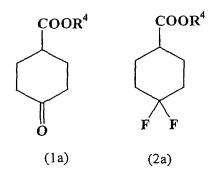
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wherein each of R^1 , R^2 and R^3 which are independent of one another, is a hydrogen atom, a fluorine atom or a monovalent organic group, or two selected from R^1 , R^2 and R^3 together form a bivalent organic group, and the other one is a hydrogen atom, a fluorine atom or a monovalent organic group.

- 2. The production process according to Claim 1, wherein the fluorinating agent which generates fluorine anions is HF.
 - 3. The production process according to Claim 1, wherein the fluorinating agent which generates fluorine anions is

acted in the presence of a catalyst.

4. The production process according to Claim 1, wherein the compound of the formula (1) is a compound of the following formula (1a), and the fluorine containing compound of the formula (2) is a fluorine-containing compound of the following formula (2a):



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wherein R^4 is a C_{1-20} alkyl group, a C_{3-8} cycloalkyl group, an alkyl group substituted with at least one aryl group, an alkyl group substituted with at least one monovalent heterocyclic group, an aryl group, a substituted aryl group or a C_{1-20} fluoroalkyl group.

- 5. The production process according to Claim 1, wherein the compound formed by the reaction of the compound of the formula (1) with the compound of the formula X-Z or the compound of the formula Z_2O comprises at least two types of compounds, and the fluorinating agent which generates fluorine atoms is acted on said at least two types of compounds without isolating them.
- 20 6. A process for producing a fluorine-containing compound of the following formula (2), which comprises reacting a compound of the following formula (1) with a

compound X-Z (wherein Z is a monovalent group which gives a leaving group of the structure -OZ, and X is a chlorine atom, a bromine atom or an iodine atom) to obtain at least one type of a compound selected from compounds of the following formulae (3) to (7), and then acting a fluorinating agent which generates fluorine anions on said at least one type of a compound to obtain the fluorine-containing compound of the following formula (2):

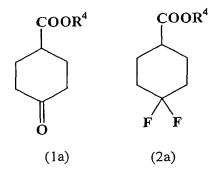
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wherein each of R^1 , R^2 and R^3 which are independent of one another, is a hydrogen atom, a fluorine atom or a monovalent organic group, or two selected from R^1 , R^2 and R^3 together form a bivalent organic group, and the other one is a hydrogen atom, a fluorine atom or a monovalent organic group.

7. The production process according to Claim 6, wherein the fluorinating agent which generates fluorine anions is

HF.

- 8. The production process according to Claim 6, wherein the fluorinating agent which generates fluorine anions is acted in the presence of a catalyst.
- 5 9. The production process according to Claim 6, wherein the compound of the formula (1) is a compound of the following formula (1a), and the fluorine containing compound of the formula (2) is a fluorine-containing compound of the following formula (2a):



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wherein R^4 is a C_{1-20} alkyl group, a C_{3-8} cycloalkyl group, an alkyl group substituted with at least one aryl group, an alkyl group substituted with at least one monovalent heterocyclic group, an aryl group, a substituted aryl group or a C_{1-20} fluoroalkyl group.

10. The production process according to Claim 6, wherein the compound formed by the reaction of the compound of the formula (1) with the compound of the formula X-Z or the compound of the formula Z_2O comprises at least two types of compounds, and the fluorinating agent which generates fluorine atoms is acted on said at least two types of compounds without isolating them.

11. A process for producing a fluorine-containing compound of the following formula (2), which comprises reacting a compound of the following formula (1) with a compound of the formula Z_2O (wherein Z is a monovalent group which gives a leaving group of the structure -OZ) to obtain at least one type of a compound selected from a compound of the following formula (6) and a compound of the following formula (7), and then acting a fluorinating agent which generates fluorine anions on said at least one type of the compound to obtain the fluorine-containing compound of the following formula (2):

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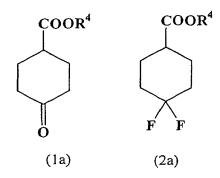
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wherein each of R¹, R² and R³ which are independent of one another, is a hydrogen atom, a fluorine atom or a monovalent organic group, or two selected from R¹, R² and R³ together form a bivalent organic group, and the other one is a hydrogen atom, a fluorine atom or a monovalent organic group.

12. The production process according to Claim 11, wherein

the fluorinating agent which generates fluorine anions is HF.

- 13. The production process according to Claim 11, wherein the fluorinating agent which generates fluorine anions is acted in the presence of a catalyst.
- 14. The production process according to Claim 11, wherein the compound of the formula (1) is a compound of the following formula (1a), and the fluorine containing compound of the formula (2) is a fluorine-containing compound of the following formula (2a):



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wherein R^4 is a C_{1-20} alkyl group, a C_{3-8} cycloalkyl group, an alkyl group substituted with at least one aryl group, an alkyl group substituted with at least one monovalent heterocyclic group, an aryl group, a substituted aryl group or a C_{1-20} fluoroalkyl group.

15. The production process according to Claim 11, wherein the compound formed by the reaction of the compound of the formula (1) with the compound of the formula X-Z or the compound of the formula Z_2O comprises at least two types of compounds, and the fluorinating agent which generates fluorine atoms is acted on said at least two

types of compounds without isolating them.